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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

"PENETRABLE CAP":

the specification of which

[] is attached hereto.

[X] was filed on November 1, 2000 as U.S. Application No. 09/704,210

[] was filed as PCT International Application No. PCT/_____/_____ on _____

and (if applicable to U.S. or PCT application) was amended on _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate filed by me or my assignee disclosing the subject matter claimed in this application and having a filing date (1) before that of the application on which priority is claimed, or (2) if no priority claimed, before the filing date of this application:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

Priority Claimed

Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed	Date first Laid Open or Published	Date Patented/Granted	Yes	No
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119/120/365 of any United States application(s) listed below and PCT International applications listed above or below and, if this is a Continuation-In-Part (CIP) insofar as the subject matter disclosed and claimed in this application is in addition to that disclosed in such prior applications, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL, NON-PROVISIONAL AND/OR PCT APPLICATION(S)

Priority Claimed

<u>09/675,641</u> Application Serial No.	<u>29/09/00</u> Day/Month/Year Filed	<u>Pending</u> Status - patented, pending, abandoned	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>09/570,124</u> Application Serial No.	<u>12/05/00</u> Day/Month/Year Filed	<u>Pending</u> Status - patented, pending, abandoned	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>60/134,265</u> Application Serial No.	<u>14/05/99</u> Day/Month/Year Filed	<u>Abandoned</u> Status - patented, pending, abandoned	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No

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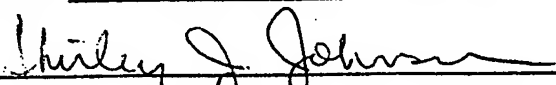
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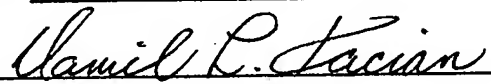
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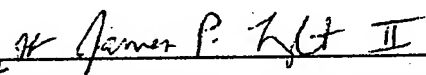
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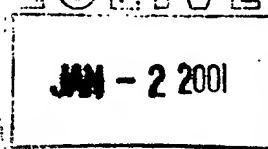


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4. Daniel L. Kacian
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Street Address: 10210 Genetic Center Drive
City: San Diego State: California ZIP: 92121

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- (X) Assignment
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FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, we, **Bruce W. Anderson of Rancho Cucamonga, California**, personally and on behalf of Andercraft Products, Inc.; **Nick M. Carter of Mooresville, North Carolina**; **Mordi I. Iheme of San Diego, California**; **Daniel L. Kacian of San Diego, California**; **James P. Light of San Diego, California** and **Gus Tseo of San Diego, California** (hereinafter collectively "ASSIGNOR"), do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto **Gen-Probe Incorporated**, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and having its principal office and place of business at **10210 Genetic Center Drive, San Diego, California 92121**, and its successors, assigns and legal representatives (hereinafter collectively "ASSIGNEE"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in and to those inventions and improvements which are the subject of a United States utility patent application entitled **"Penetrable Cap and Fluid Transfer Device for Use Therewith,"** filed on **May 12, 2000**, as **U.S. Application Serial No. 09/570,124** (hereinafter "the application"), and to said United States utility patent application and any and all continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part, reissue and substitute applications thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent filed for said inventions and improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with all Letters Patent issuing on any of the aforesaid applications for Letters Patent and all extensions and renewals thereof.

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY AUTHORIZES ASSIGNEE to make applications in all countries in the names of the ASSIGNOR or in the name of the ASSIGNEE for Letters Patent and like rights of exclusion and for inventor's certificates for said inventions and improvements.

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY COVENANTS AND AGREES to communicate to ASSIGNEE all facts known to ASSIGNOR concerning said inventions and improvements, and to testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all regular, continuation, division, continuation-in-part and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths, and to perform any other reasonable and lawful act to assist ASSIGNEE in obtaining full protection and title in and to said inventions and improvements in all countries.

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By: Bruce W. Anderson
Bruce W. Anderson
personally and on behalf of
Andercraft Products, Inc.

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By: _____
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Mordi I. Iheme

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at San Diego, CA,
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By: _____
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